

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 15 are pending in this application. Claim 3 is being amended to correct a typographic error. Support for the amendment to claim 3 can be found in specification. See the text contained in at least page 6, lines 15-17 of the original and "amended sheet" versions of the specification.

Conclusion

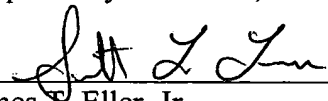
Entry of the above amendment is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact James T. Eller, Jr. (Reg. No. 39,538) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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